

307

Constantine succeeds

Maximian is rival emperor

Mar/Apr 307

Serenus II was forced to abdicate

Galerius made the Caesar SEVERUS into Augustus. He proceeded to Italy to attack Maxentius. He was deserted by his soldiers and was slain at Ravenna.

Galerius then appointed Licinius co-regent and Augustus. Constantine assumed the same title.

307 AD

GALERIUS, MAXIMINUS II,
CONSTANTINUS I, LICINIUS, MAXENTIUS
were emperors

307-337

Constantine I was emperor

Lucius Firmianus Lactantius
espounded Christianity eloquently
in DIVINE INSTITUTIONES

April 307

Maxentius proclaimed himself Augustus in Apr. 307 with control over not only most of Italy but also Sicily, Corsica and Sardinia, and the wealthy provinces of North Africa.

He sent a purple robe to his father Maximian inviting him to come out of retirement, to come to his aid, and assume the rank of emperor in the

2nd time. Eager for action Maximian joined his son. They made an alliance with Constantine, who henceforth was recognised as Augustus throughout his own and Maxentius's territories

Constantine became Augustus,
Pontifex Maximus, Pater Patriae
& Proconsul.

His 1st wife was MINERVINA

His 2nd wife was FAUSTA

Children son by Minervina - Faustus Florius

Julius CRISPUS

3 sons by Fausta: Florius Claudius

Constentius (Constantine II)

B) Flavius Julius Constantius (Constantius II)
and

C) Flavius Galerius Constantius

2 daughters by Fausta

① Constantia

② Helena

Constantine became emperor in the west

Maximian became rival emperor

307-308

Maximin was again emperor

To help himself face the growing chaos,
the aging Galerius appointed a new
Augustus - FLAVIUS CLAUDIOVIUS.

Upon hearing this Constantine
assumed a like dignity.

307

Constantine was Consul 1

Consul 2 - 312

Consul 3 - 313

Consul 4 - 315

Consul 5 - 319

Consul 6 - 320

Consul 7 - 326

Consul 8 - 329

Severus was deserted by his
troops and put to death.

307-309

Marcellus I, Bishop of Rome

307-310

DURANT

LACTANTIUS's "Divine Institutions"

307

Marcus and Maximian, August
Basilica of Mærcinus

307-313

Constantine
Auguste

constantine and iustinus, Auguste

16 Sept 307

Galerius instructed Severus II to crush Maxentius who had too few troops to risk a decisive battle. Severus II arrived before the walls at Rome, but there his army deserted him, seduced by Maxentius' bribes. Severus II himself fled to RAVENNA but was captured, forced to abdicate, and killed, at TRES TABERNAE, near Rome, on 16 Sept 307.

10 Sept 307

Severus I was murdered or
committed suicide near Rome.

Sept 307

Determined not to accept Maxentius as legitimate emperor, Galerius himself invaded Italy that same month. His troops likewise proved unreliable in the face of Maxentius's bribes, and only with difficulty did he extricate himself from Italy. Maxentius's position was strengthened and also by the marriage of his sister Fausta to Constantine.

Revolt of Maxentius and Maximian
who are both proclaimed
Augusti; death of Severus.
They also proclaim Constantine
Augustus.

Maximian resumes title of
Augustus: His daughter
Flavia marries Constantine I